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I am writing to comment on your Qualified Allocation Plan for the Low-Income Tax Credit Program the MSHDA administers.

As a local Department of Human Services County Director, I see first hand the struggle that low income folks have in securing and maintaining housing. Currently, our two departments are partnering in a campaign to end homelessness in ten years. This program would seem to be a very good resource in our efforts to combat homelessness.

I urge you to set aside thirty percent of the annual tax credit authority to develop housing for the homeless and/or special needs population. I also urge you to require that 105 of the units in all developments be targeted to incomes at or below 30% area median income (AMI) for those who are homeless and/or have special needs.

Thank you for your consideration.

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